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 PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**Present Application:**

Applicant : Jason B. Elledge  
 Attorney Docket No. : 500188.03  
 Filed : Concurrently herewith  
 Title : APPARATUS FOR IN-SITU OPTICAL ENDPOINTING ON WEB-FORMAT  
 PLANARIZING MACHINES IN MECHANICAL OR CHEMICAL-  
 MECHANICAL PLANARIZATION OF MICROELECTRONIC-DEVICE  
 SUBSTRATE ASSEMBLIES AND METHODS FOR MAKING AND USING  
 SAME

**Prior Application:**

Examiner : Willie Berry, Jr.  
 Art Unit : 3723  
 Serial No. : 09/300,358

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Box Patent Application  
 Commissioner of Patents  
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**In the Specification:**

Amend the specification by inserting a new section before the "Technical Field"  
 as follows:

**--CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION**

This application is a continuation of pending United States Patent Application  
 No. 09/300,358, filed April 26, 1999. --

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